[Translation]

Sericulture

4415. SHRI DATTA MEGHE : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) the names of districts in Maharashtra where the National Sericulture Project is going on;

(b) the quantity of silk produced during 1996-97, till date, State-wise; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to boost the production of silk ?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI R.L. JALAPPA) : (a) The National Sericulture Project which has closed on 31.12.1996, was implemented in the Akola and Buldana districts of Maharashtra.

(b) A statement showing the lates figures of State-wise production of raw silk during 1996-97 (Upto September, 1996) is attached as statement.

(c) In order to supplement the efforts of the State Sericulture Departments for the development of sericulture, the Central Silk Board (CSB) has established a country-wide network of R&D, extension & training units for the propagation of improved races, technologies and sericulture practices evolved/introduced by the Board's research institutes for improving the productivity and quality of silk. The CSB is also providing assistance in the form of training of functionaries, supply of mulberry cuttings, silkworm seed etc. to the States to expand senculture. Besides, the Central Silk Board has also taken up sericulture projects like Poorvanchal Project in U.P., Action Plan for seven States of North Eastern region etc. in association/ collaboration with the States.

Statement

Latest figures of State-wise production of Raw Silk during 1996-97 (Upto September, 1996)

(in Tonnes)

State	Production of Raw Silk
1	2
Andhra Pradesh	880.000
Assam	265.670
Arunachal Pradesh	5.373
Bihar	94.700
Gujarat	0.067
Himachal Pradesh	1.610
Haryana	0.202
Jammu & Kashmir	3.502
Karnataka	3441.000
Kerala	Nil
Madhya Pradesh	14.510
Maharashtra	0.350
Manipur	103.900
Mizoram	0.067
Meghalaya	99.000
Nagaland	19.285
Orissa	7.750
Punjab	Nil
Rajasthan	0.110
Sikkim	Nil
Tamil Nadu	370.420
Tripura	1.200
Uttar Pradesh	4.490
West Bengal	500.00
Total	5813.206

Share of SSI in Export

4416. SHRI JAI PRAKASH AGARWAL : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state the share of small scale industrial sector in compaison to the organised sector in export during each of the last three years as on date ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULLI RAMAIAH) : (a) Sir, Trade data compiled by DGCI&S does not indicate exports by Small Scale Sector separately. However, the Office of Development Commissioner, Small Scale Industries have